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From: Sen. Ellen Roberts
Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 10:19:34 PM
Subject: Re: Sediment Sample Data
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Hi Rebecca,

On behalf of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Colorado Parks and Wildlife and me, we'd like to get the word out of a meeting on this Sunday and I'll attach the invite. The problem is I don't have the email list that you or La Plata County has to get the word out to those entities/individuals affected in the Upper Animas area and I'm hoping you could pass the invitation along? We hope this will be helpful to all, you included, and would like to invite any EPA personnel as well who might want to be there. We set our meeting time to not conflict with the incident command meeting which we understand to be at 3pm. If you could help us put this out to interested persons, we'd appreciate it. Thanks - Ellen

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On Fri, Aug 14, 2015 at 2:54 PM, Russo, Rebecca <Russo.Rebecca@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi all,

I wanted to let you know that the EPA sediment samples collected in the Animas River from Bakers Bridge to north of Durango have been validated.

EPA has done a review of the data which included a comparison to background to determine if the metal concentrations are consistent with pre-incident levels. Metal results that exceeded pre-incident levels were subsequently compared to risk-based screening levels. These results indicate that minor exceedances of background concentrations were observed for antimony, lead, silver, thallium. However, comparison to risk-based screening values found these exceedances to be below risk screening levels. The review and interpretation of these data was a collaborative effort that included state and local members of the unified command.

Sediment data posted on page

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-data-august-14-2015>

Second spreadsheet for yesterday added to page

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/gold-king-mine-data-august-13-2015>

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